

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration of this application, in view of the amendments, is respectfully requested.

Prior to this amendment, Claims 1-16 were pending in the application, with Claims 1, 4, 6, 9 and 10 being the independent claims.

The Examiner objected to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9. The Examiner rejected Claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,631,275 to *Martin et al.* (hereinafter, *Martin*).

Regarding the objection to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9, the claims have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. For example, Claim 5 has been amended to recite transmitting the assignment complete message to the mobile switching center when assignment of the wireless channels is completed. Accordingly, the objection to Claims 5, 6, 8 and 9 should be withdrawn.

Regarding the §102(e) rejection, the Examiner contends that each element of Claims 1-16 is taught or suggested by *Martin*. *Martin* discloses a method for accelerating call establishment in a radio communication system. Instead of waiting for completion of dialing, the terminal immediately sends a channel request message to the network. Claims 1-3, 10, 11 and 16 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claim 4 recites, in part, a method for performing call setup by a base station upon a call attempt by a mobile station in a mobile communication system having the base station for serving the mobile station, and a mobile switching center for controlling the base station. After transmitting a channel assignment message, wireless channels are assigned to the mobile station. After completion of the assignment of the wireless channels, a service request message is transmitted to the mobile switching center requesting assignment of a wire resource when an origination continuation message containing a recipient's phone number is received from the mobile station. Upon receiving a wireless resource assignment request message from the mobile

switching center, the wireless resource assignment request message is acknowledged as a message indicating completion of the assignment of the wire resource in the mobile switching center.

*Martin* describes the use of Dual Tone Multifrequency (DTMF) in Public Land Mobile Systems (PLMN) and Global System for Mobile Communication (GSM). However, *Martin* fails to provide any disclosure relating to requesting assignment of wire resources at a mobile switching center when a recipient's phone number is received from a mobile station, and the acknowledgement of a wireless resource assignment request message from the mobile switching center as a message indicating completion of the assignment of the wire resource in the mobile switching center, as recited in Claim 4.

The Examiner contends that *Martin* discloses a system that is made of GSM and PLMN networks that support wired and wireless communications, however, *Martin* fails to provide any disclosure that teaches or suggests the specific recitations of Claim 4 described above. Further, the Examiner fails to provide any evidence that these elements would be inherent in *Martin*. Thus, Claim 4 is patentable over *Martin*.

The Examiner also rejected independent Claims 6 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e). Claims 6 and 9 contain subject matter similar to that of Claim 4. In view of the above, Claims 6 and 9 are also patentable over *Martin*.

Regarding Claims 5, 7, 8 and 12-15, while not conceding the patentability of the dependent claims, *per se*, these claims are also patentable for at least the above reasons. Accordingly, Applicants assert that Claims 4-9 and 12-15 are allowable over *Martin*, and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) should be withdrawn.

Accordingly, all of the claims pending in the Application, namely, Claims 4-9 and 12-15 are believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone

conference or personal interview would facilitate resolution of any remaining matters, the Examiner may contact Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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